



Crop Progress and Condition

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Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.5. Temperatures were up and precipitation amounts were down from the previous week, making drier conditions. Farming activities for the week included harvesting wheat, making hay and planting soybeans.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 06/23/19

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	20	72	8
Subsoil	-	13	80	7

- Represents zero.

CROP CONDITIONS for week ending 06/23/19

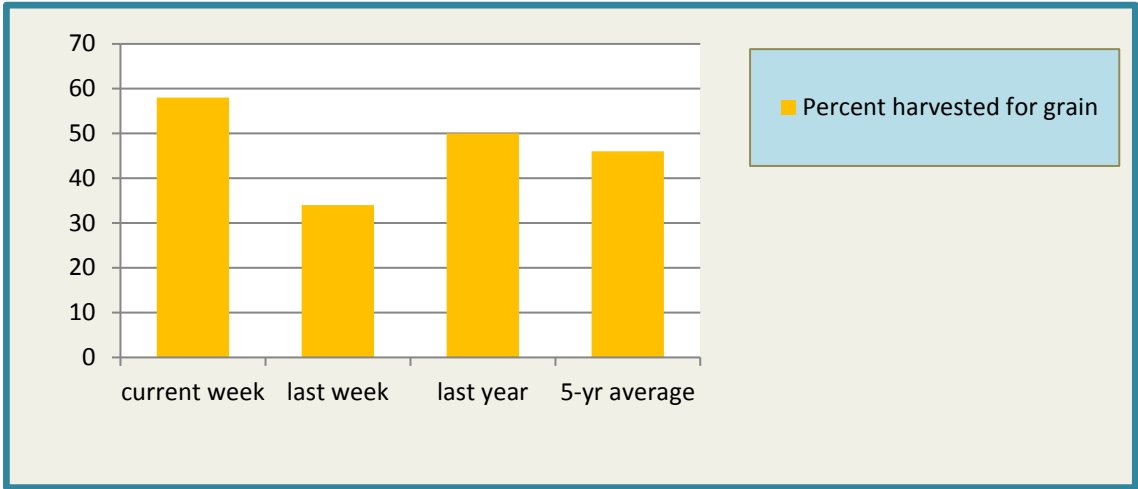
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Corn	-	1	27	58	14
Cotton	-	1	9	90	-
Hay, Alfalfa	-	5	29	54	12
Hay, Other	-	5	29	57	9
Peanuts	-	5	10	85	-
Soybeans	-	1	17	76	6
Tobacco, Burley	-	-	24	69	7
Tobacco, Fire-cured	-	1	24	68	7
Tobacco, Flue-cured	-	-	19	57	24
Winter Wheat	-	4	35	58	3
Pasture	-	10	36	42	12

-Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 06/23/19

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Barley harvested for grain	82	67	64	69
Corn silking	11	-	-	-
Cotton squaring	26	15	40	36
Peanuts pegging	13	4	9	8
Soybeans planted	89	84	76	72
Soybeans emerged	82	73	65	60
Soybeans blooming	2	-	-	-
Winter Wheat harvested for grain	58	34	50	46

WINTER WHEAT HARVESTED FOR GRAIN for week ending 06/23/19



Weather Summary- For the week ending June 23, 2019

City	Temperature						Growing degree days (modified base 50)		Precipitation				
	Avg. max.	Avg. min.	High max.	Low min.	Avg.	Avg. dep. from normal *	Mar. 1 to June 22	Mar. 1 to June 22 norm	Last Week	Since Jun. 1	Jun. 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1 to date	Jan. 1 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	85	64	89	58	74	2	1561	1335	0.24	3.44	0.78	20.74	0.00
Norfolk	88	70	93	63	79	4	1875	1450	0.56	3.79	1.18	22.53	1.48
Richmond	88	68	93	61	78	4	1783	1471	0.09	5.14	2.63	25.52	5.27
Roanoke	85	66	91	60	75	3	1654	NA	0.49	5.03	2.36	22.77	2.07
Wash/Dulles	87	66	91	56	76	5	1474	NA	0.06	1.30	-1.79	21.18	1.39

* Normal based on 1971-2000 data. NA-Not available. Source: NCEP/NOAA Climate Prediction Center <http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov>. Source: USDA, NASS, Virginia Field Office.

REPORTER COMMENTS BY COUNTY – Comments are based on remarks made by extension agents, farmers, commodity specialists, and other knowledgeable individuals.

NORTHERN

ROCKINGHAM (Doug Horn)

No significant rainfall during the week. The soil is drying out to the point of drought stress. Some corn is curling, and some turf areas are yellowing. The north part of the county is drier than the southern part.

WESTERN

ROCKBRIDGE (Thomas Stanley)

Clear weather this week allowed field work to progress. Pastures are in good shape, and some folks are close to making second cuttings of grass hay.

CENTRAL

CAROLINE (Mike Broaddus)

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EASTERN

KING GEORGE (Mike Broaddus)

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CHARLES CITY (Scott Reiter)

Wheat harvest made good progress early in the week. Soybean planting is following right behind the combine with adequate soil moisture.

NORTHAMPTON (Ursula Deitch)

Potato harvest starts this week. Green bean harvest in Virginia started last week. It is very dry, and soil moisture is drying up.

SOUTHEASTERN

GREENSVILLE (Sara Rutherford)

Rain storms passing through Monday through Thursday added 1.5-3+ inches of rain to a majority of the county. Standing water in some fields is causing seeds/seedlings to dampen off or drown. Weed pressure is surmounting in a few fields where it is too wet to get equipment in for herbicide applications. Corn is the most vigorous down along the NC state line.

CHESAPEAKE CITY (Watson Lawrence Jr.)

Most of wheat acres harvested this week with average to good yields. About an inch of rain this week was good for corn, which is starting to tassel for early varieties. Most of our soybean crop has been planted with few replanting needed thus far.

PRINCE GEORGE/SURRY/SUSSEX (Scott Reiter)

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